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Alterna

Think *you've* had a bad day on the job? Then just wait 'til you sample some of the occupational weirdness depicted in ***Hello, Do You Work Here,*** an original anthology of 100% true stories. (Aug)

Umbra and Antumbra are two people whose path you don't want to cross: the former steals good luck, the other gives bad luck. So long as their together, they cancel each other out... but unfortunately, they've been accepted at different colleges! See what happens next in *Shari Chankham's* ***The Sister's Luck.*** (Aug)

Amaze Ink

They're your normal, everyday, suburban family. They go to work, go to school, buy groceries and attend church regularly. The only difference is that, when they go to church they worship Satan and cannot wait to experience the joy of living in Hell. Who are they? They're ***The Sixsmiths,*** and *Jason Franks & J. Marc Schmidt* are about to introduce them to you. (Jul-Aug)

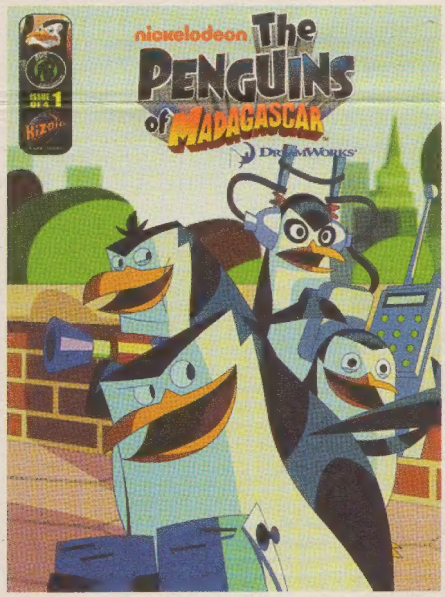
A slacker prince inherits a space empire and finds himself responsible for the lives of billions in *James Turner's* ***Warlord of Io.*** (Jul)

Antarctic

The unstoppable political machine is back in action in ***The Governator: Voter Recall,*** a oneshot by *Joe Wright & Ben Dunn.* (Aug)

It's kung fu versus the walking dead in ***Enter the Zombie,*** a oneshot by *Fred Perry & Ben Dunn.* (Aug)

Follow the frantic journey of a man seeking his one ray of hope in a post-apocalyptic nightmare United States in ***The Last Zombie*** by *Brian Keene & Joe Wight.* (Jun-Aug)



Ape

What better way to kick off a cool summer than with an original series starring ***The Penguins of Madagascar?*** (July-Aug)

Meet Scratch, a cat with the ability to summon any of his nine lives, in ***Scratch 9,*** a four-part series by *Rob Worley & Jason Kruse.* (Aug)

Arcana

Truck driver Cletus McCoy only wants one thing: to get back home and save his Mama from a fate worse than death. But, in a world crumbling into a vampire apocalypse, that is easier said than done, as you're about to find out in ***American Wasteland.*** (Jul)

A writer who's found sales success discovers the downside of literary fame when his fictional characters begin coming to life and demand that he include them in future works in ***Loosely Based,*** an original graphic novel by *Nikola Jajic & Rick Hershey.* (Aug)

How did Adam Fitzpatrick end up on a park bench in Dallas on the very day of JFK's assassination? Well, it involves time-travel... as you'll see in ***Ripped,*** a graphic novel by *Jay Busbee & Jason Flowers.* (Aug)

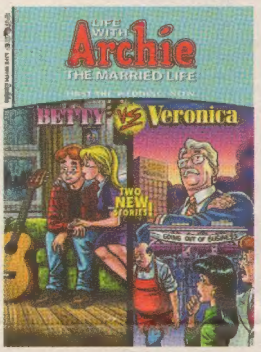
Archaia

Dark forces are conspiring to prevent humankind from reaching its true potential, unless Agent Matthew Dee can use his skills as a spy and a combat mage to keep those dark fores under control... and that's just what he does in ***Lucid,*** a four-parter by *Michael McMillian & Anna Wieszczyk.* (Aug)

A rogue neuropathologist's attempts to isolate the root of all evil in the recesses of the human brain take an ugly turn in ***Syndrome,*** a graphic novel by *Daniel Quantz, RJ Ryan, & David Marquez.* (Aug)

Archie

The evil organization CRUSH and the Mad Doctor Doom have turned Riverdale into a real-life horror film—so it's up to Archie, the Man from RIVERDALE, to set things right in *Tom DeFalco's* ***Archie #610-612.*** (Jun-Aug)



If you loved those stories of Archie's possible futures in "The Road Not Taken," you weren't alone—and that's why Archie is revisiting those potential futures in ***Life With Archie: The Married Life,*** a monthly 64-page magazine that will feature regular installments of "Archie Loves Betty" and "Archie Loves Veronica." (Jul-Aug)

Aspen

The CIA has created an elite team of telepathic agents dedicated to fighting domestic terrorism. But as the crew take to the streets, can they handle the dark thoughts buried inside the minds of ordinary people? Find out in ***Mindfield*** by *JT Krul, Alex Konat, Saleem Crawford, & John Starr.* (Jun-Aug)

Scott Lobdell & Eric Battle bring *Gale Anne Hurd's* ***Scourge*** to comics in a gripping series that finds New York City stricken by a virus that transformers ordinary people into savage gargoyles—and it's up to one SWAT officer to save the Big Apple. (Aug)

Automatic

Frank Beddor, Liz Cavalier, Sami Makkonen, & Bill Sienkiewicz continue the adventures of Hatter Madigan in ***Hatter M: The Looking Glass Wars Volume 3.*** (Jul)

Avatar

Alan Moore's Lovecraftean horror tale ***Neonomicon*** comes to comics in a four-part series that picks up several years after the events of Moore's ***The Courtyard.*** (Aug)

Bluewater

Twilight fans make plans now: the third star of the films is getting his own biocomic this summer with the release of ***Fame #5: Taylor Lautner.*** (Aug)

Logan's Run: Aftermath continues the odyssey of *William F. Nolan's* rules-breaking hero as he races towards an uncertain destiny. (Jul-Aug)

Nanny and Hank planned to enjoy their golden years in a retirement community... until they crossed paths with a blood-drunk vampire. See the old folks in action in ***Nanny & Hank #1.*** (Aug)

Bongo

The Comic Book Guy... dead? It appears so—but if that's the case, then who'll inherit Android's Dungeon? Find out in ***Comic Book Guy: The Comic Book,*** a five-part limited series. (Jul-Aug)

Boom

Seven men, 1 impossible mission —assassinate Hitler. Find out how they undertake that mission in ***7 Psychopaths*** by *Fabien Vehlmann & Sean Phillips.* (Jun-Aug)

Claudio Sanchez continues his Amory Wars saga in ***The Amory Wars: In Keeping Secrets of Silent Earth 3.*** (Jun-Aug)

Boom ventures back into Lovecraftean territory with ***The Calling: Cthulhu Chronicles*** that finds one man trying to find a way to stop the impending awakening of the great one... (Jul-Aug)

Tow Mater squares off against his nemesis Bubba the tow truck in ***Cars: The Adventures of Tow Mater.*** (Jul-Aug)

The most legendary name in alternative music comes to comics in ***CBGB,*** a four-parter that presents tales of love, music, and rebellion set against the backdrop of the famous club. (Jul-Aug)

Darkwing Duck, which launched as a limited series, graduates to ongoing series due to popular demand. (Jun-Aug)

Gonzo is recast as the world's greatest detective in ***Muppet Sherlock Holmes.*** (Aug)

A man who barely survived the Civil War is forced to return to the front lines in order to keep his family whole in ***Pale Horse,*** a four-part series by *Michael Alan Nelson, Andrew Cosby, & Christian DiBari.* (Jun-Aug)

Robert E. Howard's other dark-maned, barbaric hero gets his moment on the comic shop racks in ***Robert E. Howard's Hawks of Outremer,*** the first comics adaptation of a Cormac FitzGeoffrey tale. (Jun-Aug)

Jesse Blaze Snider & Nathan Watson present new teals of Buzz, Woody, and all those other toys in ***Toy Story: Tales from the Toy Chest.*** (Jul-Aug)

Campfire

Think of them as fresh new Classics Illustrated, as Campfire offers graphic novel retellings of such classic works as ***Robinson Crusoe, Treasure Island, Moby Dick, , Frankenstein, Alice in Wonderland,*** and many more. (Jun-Aug)

Cartoon

Jeff Smith & Tom Sniegoski's tales of Boneville's origin and its founder—the tough, no-nonsense Big Johnson Bone—are collected in full color for the first time in ***Bone: Tall Tales.*** (Aug)

Dark Horse

In ***Abe Sapien: The Abyssal Plain #1,*** *Mike Mignola, John Arcudi, Peter Snejbjerg,* and cover artist *Dave Johnson* follow Abe Sapien in one of his first BPRD operations as he leads a naval crew to a sunken Soviet U-boat to retrieve an ancient relic. (Jun)

Courtesy your friendly neighborhood comics outlet!

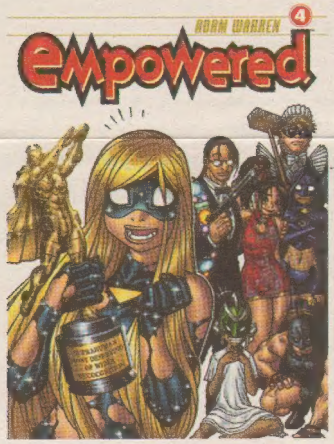
Mike Mignola & Christopher Golden's vampire novel ***Baltimore*** makes the jump to comics this summer in ***Baltimore: The Plague Ships***, courtesy of Mignola, Golden, and artist *Ben Stenbeck*. (Aug)

Following the global havoc created by the frog war, and with the organization. Now operating under strict U.N. oversight, the BPRD face new horrors in ***BPRD: Hell on Earth—New World #1***, the premiere issue of a five-part limited series. (Aug)

After a couple of ***Buffy***-less months, fans can rejoice: acclaimed ***Buffy*** television writer *Jane Espenson* is back with ***Buffy the Vampire Slayer: Riley***, a new oneshot that expands on one of the surprising twists she and executive producer *Joss Whedon* introduced in the hit story arc "Retreat"! (Aug)

Eric Powell & Kyle Hotz join forces to present the solo adventure of ***Buzzard*** in a three-issue miniseries that begins in the aftermath of Buzzard's battle with the loathsome Zombie Priest in ***Goon Year***. (Jun-Aug))

Acclaimed writer *Jim Shooter* returns to one of the series with which he is most closely associated with the launch of Dark Horse's ***Doctor Solar, Man of the Atom #1***, written by Shooter and illustrated by *Dennis Calero*. The 48-page first issue combines Shooter's reimagining of the classic Gold Key concept (which became a 1990s hit for Valiant/Acclaim) with a reprint of the first Solar story from 1962. (Jul-Aug)



Adam Warren once again visits the world of costumed crimefighter Empowered in ***Empowered Volume 6 TP***. (Jul)

Bryan Talbot returns to the anthropomorphic world of his badger detective in ***Grandville Mon Amour***. (Aug)

Mike Mignola reunites with artist *Duncan Fegredo* for the three-part ***Hellboy: The Storm***, the final arc of their saga that includes ***Darkness Calls*** and ***The Wild Hunt***. (Jul-Aug)

Jim Shooter brings his storytelling skills to bear on the legendary robot fighter once again in the all-new ***Magnus, Robot Fighter #1***, illustrated by *Bill Reinhold*. The first issue also includes a bonus reprint of the original ***Magnus #1*** from 1963. (Aug)

MySpace Dark Horse Presents Volume 5 TP presents the first printed editions of previously-available-online-only tales featuring the vampiric Harmony, the barbaric Conan, the taciturn Solomon Kane, the enigmatic Mister X, and much more. (Aug)

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JILL THOMPSON and more!

Robert Rodriguez's upcoming ***Predators*** film is brought to comics by *Paul Tobin, Victor Drujiniu, & Tony Kordos* in the 72-page ***Predators***. Dark Horse follows it up with ***Predators: Preserve the Game***, a 40-page oneshot by *David Lapham, Allan Jefferson, & David Rivera* that is set weeks after the end of Rodriguezs film. (Jun-Jul)

Writer/actor *Patton Oswalt* brings back one of ***Firefly's*** most beloved characters in ***Serenity: Float Out***, a oneshot illustrated by *Patric Reynolds*. (Jun)

Tom Taylor & Chris Scalf present a multi-generational tale of honor and redemption starring two of the heaviest hitters in the Star Wars galaxy in ***Star Wars: Blood Ties—A Tale of Jango & Boba Fett***, a four-issue miniseries. (Aug)

Star Wars: The Old Republic #1 kicks off a six-part series that begins with a galaxy on the brink of destruction three hundred years after the events of ***Knights of the Old Republic***. (Jul-Aug)

When the Rebellion's hit-and-run attacks on Imperial cargo ships become too audacious to be ignored, Darth Vader is sent in to find the Rebel base and destroy it. But to reach his target, Vader will have to team up with a recently captured smuggler named Zika. Witness the mismatch in ***Star Wars Adventures: The Will of Darth Vader***, a digest-sized OGN by *Tom Taylor, Brian Koschak, & Dan Parsons*. (Jun)

Janet Evanovich, Alex Evanovich, Joelle Jones, Benjamin Dewey, & Andy Owens present a new adventure of Evanovich's Alex Barnaby and Sam Hooker in ***Troublemaker Book One HC***, an original graphic novel that marks the comics debut of the best-selling author and her auto mechanic and racecar driver duo. (Jun)

David Follett presents the story of a brilliant ecological supergenius, his niece and nephew, and the organic computer SOFIA in ***Uncle Silas: Genetis***. (Aug)

David Miller

Dave Cockrum's science fiction creation returns to comics in ***Avatar of the Futurians***, a four-issue limited series by *David Miller & Joe Rubinstein* that reveals Avatar's Arthurian roots. (Jul-Aug)

DC

Look out, Metropolis – Lex Luthor is back in *Paul Cornell & Pete Woods'* ***Action Comics #890***! (Jun)

Adventure Comics returns to its historical numbering with July's #516 just in time for *Paul Levitz, Kevin Sharpe, & Wayne Faucher* to retell the Legion's origins! (Jul)

David Hine makes his debut as new series writer with ***Azrael #10***, the first chapter of the four-part "Killer of Saints." (Jul)

Grant Morrison returns to ***Batman*** with the extra-length 700th issue—and he's brought an all-star roster of artists along with him including *Andy Kubert, Tony Daniel*, and *Frank Quitely* to spotlight each of the Batmen from different eras—Bruce Wayne, Dick Grayson and Damian Wayne. (Jun)

In ***Batman & 701***, *Grant Morrison & Tony Daniel* re-team to tell the exciting 2-part, untold tale of Bruce Wayne and his adventures between ***Batman R.I.P.*** and ***Final Crisis***! (Jul)

Long requested by fans, ***Batman Beyond*** is returning the DC lineup this summer—and it's a DCU miniseries by *Adam Beechen & Ryan Benjamin*, not a Johnny DC title! (Jun-Aug)

Comics legend *Neal Adams* returns to one of the characters he knows best in ***Batman: Odyssey***, the first of two six-part series both written and illustrated by the incomparable Adams. It begins as the Dark Knight faces a series of seemingly unrelated challenges as villains and allies old and new push him to his limits like never before. (Jul-Aug)

Grant Morrison is joined by an array of top artists as ***Batman: The Return of Bruce Wayne*** continues to chronicle Bruce Wayne's time-spanning odyssey to return to modern-day Gotham City. (Jun-Aug)

The role of Boston Brand Aquaman, Hawkman, Hawkwoman, and other resurrected heroes in the new DCU continues to drive ***Brightest Day***, the biweekly series by *Geoff Johns, Peter Tomasi*, and a number of top art talents. (Jun-Aug)

Ray Palmer gets his moment in the spotlight in ***Brightest Day: The Atom Special #1*** by *Jeff Lemire, Mahmud Asrar, & Walden Wong*. (Jul)

Len Wein chronicles the evolution of the DC Universe's superheroes in ***DC Universe: Legacies #s 2-4*** as he takes readers from the height of the Golden Age to the early days of the Teen Titans. (Jun-Aug)

Comics legend *Dennis O'Neil* returns to Batman for a special tale in ***Detective Comics #866***. (Jun) Then *David Hine, Scott McDaniel, & Andy Owens* kick off the four-part "Batman: Imposters" in ***Detective #867***. (Jul-Aug)

"The Fall of Green Arrow" has ended. Now who carries the heavy bow of the Emerald Archer? Find out when *JT Krul & Diogenes Neves* launch the new ***Green Arrow #1***. (Jun)

The Cyborg Superman returns in ***Green Lantern Corps #50*** by *Tony Bedard, Ardian Syaf, & Vicente Cifuentes*. (Jul)

In *Peter Tomasi & Fernando Pasarin's* ***Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors #1***, Guy Gardner begins his secret mission for Atrocitus, bringing him into conflict with Hal Jordan with massive repercussions for the Green Lantern Corps. (Aug)

A variety of creators lend their talents to a new installment of ***The Joker's Asylum***, a special month-long, weekly series of one-shots starring the greatest villains in Batman's rogues gallery. This batch of tense tales spotlights ***The Riddler*** (by *Peter Calloway & Clayton Henry*), ***Harley Quinn*** (by *James Patrick & Joe Quinones*), ***Mad Hatter*** (by *Landry Walker & Bill Sienkiewicz*), ***Clayware*** (by *Kevin Shinick & Kelley Jones*), and ***Killer Croc*** (by *David Yardin & Francesco Mattina*). (Jun)

Why did Max Lord return to life? What role will he play in the new DCU? And how will his former teammates deal with all this? Find out as *Keith Giffen & Judd Winick's* ***Justice League: Generation Lost*** continues on a biweekly schedule, alternating with ***Brightest Day***. (Jun-Aug)

James Robinson, Mark Bagley, & Rob Hunter launch a five-part JLA/JSA crossover in

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Justice League of America #46. The return of one hero heralds the release of the powerful Starheart that empowers Green Lantern Alan Scott. Now this chaotic force is unleashed on Earth, causing magic to go wild – and new metahumans to emerge! (Jun-Aug)

Eric Trautmann, Brandon Jerwa, Julian Lopez, & John Lucas bring together the Shield, the Web, the Comet, Inferno, Fly-Girl, and War Eagle in the ongoing ***Mighty Crusaders*** series. (Jul-Aug)

Power Girl dives headfirst into the next chapter of her life on Earth with new series writer *Judd Winick* and artist *Sami Basri*. What events will draw her to her former JLI teammates from ***Justice League: Generations Lost?*** Find out in ***Power Girl #13.*** (Jun)

Judd Winick returns to write the adventures of Jason Todd in ***Red Hood: Lost Days,*** a six-part series exploring the lost days of this misunderstood character. (Jun)

With Tim Drake targeted for assassination, will Red Robin have to eliminate his secret identity? Find out in *Fabian Nicieza, Marcus To, & Ray McCarthy's* ***Red Robin #15.*** (Aug)

Meet Bizarro Supergirl in ***Supergirl #55*** by *Sterling Gates, Jamal Igle, & Jon Sibal.* (Aug)

DC Comics celebrates 700 issues of ***Superman*** with a 56-page extravaganza full of tales celebrating the Man of Steel's past, present and future! This issue marks the first appearance of a Super-tale by the exciting new ongoing creative team of *J. Michael Straczynski & Eddy Barrows.* (Jun) Then JMS begins his ongoing run a month later with a storyline that brings Superman back to the DCU at last! (Jul-Aug)

Legendary writer *Cary Bates* explores a different side to Superman's legend in ***Superman: The Last Family of Krypton #1,*** the kickoff issue of a three-part Elseworlds tale that hinges on the fact that, when baby Kal-el has rocketed to the distant planet Earth from his doomed home-world of Krypton, he was accompanied by his parents. (Aug)

In ***Superman/Batman #75,*** *Paul Levitz & Jerry Ordway* unite the World's Finest with the super-team Levitz is best known for – the Legion of Super-Heroes! (Aug)

Not only does Terry McGinnis star in his own miniseries beginning this month, but he's also featured in *Paul Levitz, Renato Guedes, & Jose Wilson's* ***Superman/Batman Annual #4.*** (Jun)

"The Search for Batman" begins in *Dan Jurgens & Norm Rapmund's* ***Time Masters: Vanishing Point #1*** as Rip Hunter assembled a band of time travellers to figure exactly where/when Bruce Wayne went at the end of ***Final Crisis***! (Jul-Aug)

Titans returns with a new direction that ties into ***Brightest Day***! Readers saw what Deathstroke and his team of mercenaries did in the ***Titans: Villains for Hire Special,*** and it was a dark day for the Justice League of America. Hopefully their next target fares better. Good luck, Lex Luthor! See how it all works out in ***Titans #24*** by *Eric Wallace & Fabrizio Fiorentino. (Jun)*

DC returns to legacy numbering with this month's extra-length ***Wonder Woman #600.*** This issue features work by an impressive array of top talent, including *Geoff Johns, Phil Jimenez, George Pérez, Gail Simone, Joe Madureira,* and more! Plus, readers won't want to miss a chance to check out the exciting, all-new direction for the Wonder Woman universe as new ongoing writer *J. Michael Straczynski* provides a story of his own that leads into his takeover of the title with ***Wonder Woman #601.*** (Jun-Aug))

WildStorm/DC

At last, *Kurt Busiek & Brent Anderson* tell the full story of the Silver Agent's fateful journey through time – including his origin, his greatest battles and his ultimate fate – in ***Astro City: Silver Agent,*** a 2-issue miniseries spanning from the late 1950s to the far future. (Jun-Jul)

Brian K. Vaughan & Tony Harris bring the saga of Mitchell Hundred to a close in ***Ex Machina #50*** as the mayor and former superhero finally catches up with the unspeakable tragedy foretold in the very first page of ***Ex Machina #1.*** (Jul)

This summer, DC launches ***Fringe: Tales from the Fringe,*** an all-new 6-issue miniseries featuring tales set in the world of the hit TV series! (Jun-Aug)

The year is 44 B.C. Julius Caesar has conquered Transylvania, and vampyres are Rome's new slave class. But when rich mortals start turning up dead with fang marks on their necks, a vampyre slave turned Roman soldier plunges into the blood-soaked underworld of Rome to capture the Pluto's Kiss Killer in ***Ides of Blood #1*** by *Stuart C. Paul & Christian Duce.* (Aug)

Kane and Lynch #1, a six-part series by *Ian Edginton & Christopher Mitten,* picks up where the videogame left off. (Aug)

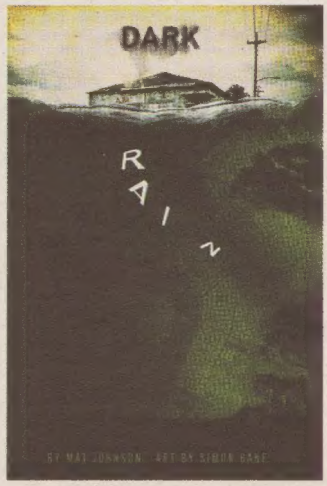
Peter Hogan, Chris Sprouse, & Karl Story continue the super sci-fi adventure of one of *Alan Moore's* most beloved creations in ***Tom Strong and the Robots of Doom #1.*** (Jun-Aug)

Gail Simone & Horacio Domingues take readers back to the not-so-ordinary town of Tranquility in ***Welcome to Tranquility: One Foot in the Grave,*** a six-issue miniseries that follows the cataclysmic events in the previous series. (Jul-Aug)

Steve Niles, Adam Jones, & Tom Mandrake present one of the most unexpected crossovers in comics history in ***X-Files/30 Days of Night #1,*** which begins when Mulder & Scully are dispatched to Alaska to investigate some strange disappearances. (Jul-Aug)

Vertigo/DC

From the moment Fidel Castro captures Havana in 1959, 17-year-old Sonya believes in the promise of the Cuban Revolution. A medical student turned a volunteer medic at the Bay of Pigs, she's imprisoned and tortured by her own comrades. Physically and emotionally scarred upon returning home, Sonya searches for fulfillment in art. But when she realizes that none of her efforts, by gun or brush, fall in line with Castro's regime, Sonya must make agonizing choices in ***Cuba: My Revolution,*** an original hard-cover graphic novel inspired by the true experiences of first-time author and Havana-born artist *Inverna Lockpez,* with stunning art by the Eisner-nominated *Dean Haspiel.* (Aug)



Mat Johnson, writer of the acclaimed ***Incognegro*** joins with artist *Simon Gane* to present ***Dark Reign: A New Orleans Story,*** a graphic novel thriller set in the days after Hurricane Katrina. Two small-time ex-cons with big dreams get the idea that this would be the perfect time to rob a bank. Catch is, the bank is in New Orleans, and they're on parole in Houston. Now, as every sane person tries to get out of The Big Easy, Emmit and Dabny will do whatever it takes to get *in.* (Jul)

In ***Fogtown,*** an original graphic novel by *Andersen Gabrych & Brad Rader,* readers meet Frank Grissel is a hard-knuckled private eye—and a deeply closeted homosexual—set in 1953 San Francisco. Aided by his long-suffering secretary (and sometime live-in lover) Loretta, Grissel's search for a runaway girl winds up with his becoming a suspect in a string of gruesome murders. (Jul)

Denise Mina, award-winning crime novelist, brings her psychological style of crime fiction to Vertigo Crime with ***A Sickness in the Family HC,*** a suspenseful family melodrama illustrated by *Antonio Fuso.* (Aug)

In ***The Green Woman, New York Times*** best-selling author *Peter Straub* resurrects his most sinister creation, Fielding "Fee" Bandolier, the unstoppable serial killer last seen in Straub's bestseller, ***The Throat.*** This original 160-page graphic novel is co-written with *Michael Easton* and illustrated by *John Bolton.* (Aug)

Dynamite

A twelve-year old with the power to absorb the abilities and physical characteristics of any animal he touches is the star of ***Ani-Max,*** a oneshot by *Ron Marz & Jeevan J. Kang.* (Aug)

Wee Hughie heads back to his Scottish home for some R&R... but what he finds in *Garth Ennis & John McCrea's* six-part ***The Boys: Highland Laddie*** might not be quite what he had hoped for... (Aug)

Dean Koontz's continuation of *Mary Shelley's* classic tale returns to comics with the release of ***Dean Koontz's Frankenstein:***

Prodigal Son Vol 2, adapted by *Chuck Dixon & Scott Cohn.* (Jul-Aug)

Grant Morrison presents the story of three generations of super-warriors meeting for the final battle of their age in ***Grant Morrison's 18 Days.*** (Jul)

Rarely seen 1940s adventures are presented in remastered form in ***Green Hornet Golden Age Remastered.*** (Jul-Aug)

Dynamite adds another Green Hornet to their lineup with ***Green Hornet: Parallel Lives,*** a limited series prelude to the upcoming *Seth Rogen* film. (Jul-Aug)

Britt Reid encounters a long-lost enemy of the original Green Hornet— a man who may hold the key to Britt's salvation—in ***Kevin Smith's Green Hornet Annual #1*** by *Phil Hester, Mike Netzer, Joe Rubinstein, & Carlos Rafael.* (Aug)

LA Banks' best-selling novel series comes to comics with the release of ***LA Bank's Vampire Huntress: The Hidden Darkness,*** an original story that takes place after the final novel in the series. (Jul-Aug)

Dynamite Entertainment launches their new Phantom franchise with ***The Last Phantom,*** a contemporary revitalization of the classic *Lee Falk* concept, brought to readers by *Scott Beatty, Eduardo Ferigato,* and designer/cover artist *Alex Ross.* (Aug)

Meet the vengeful widows of a group of slaughtered warriors in ***Pat Lee's Widow Warriors,*** a sword and sorcery adventure set in classical China. (Jul)

Jordan Mechner follows an adventurous prince as he attempts to recapture the Sands of Time in ***Prince of Persia: Before the Sandstorm.*** (Jun-Aug)

Red Sonja returns to its legacy numbering with ***Red Sonja #50,*** a special extra-length issue. (Jun)

One of the most popular characters in the ***Stargate*** franchise gets his own series with the release of ***Stargate: Daniel Jackson.*** (Jul-Aug)

Fantagraphics

Jacques Tardi's international hit series ***The Extraordinary Adventures of Adele Blanc-Sec*** comes to American audiences in a series of hardcover compilations that kicks off this summer. (Aug)

In ***Freeway,*** *Mark Kalesniko* presents the story of Alex, an animator trapped in a job he hates. Stuck in a traffic jam on his way to his job at 'Mickey Walt' Studios, Alex rages, reminisces, fantasizes and hallucinates about his early days as a starry-eyed animator landing his dream job, through the increasingly depressing political battles and creative compromises. (Jul)

Drew Weing's ***Set to Sea*** Set to Sea chronicles what can happen when an aspiring poet is shanghaied aboard a clipper bound for Hong Kong, only to find the sailor's life a bit rougher than his romantic nautical fantasies. (Jun)

Joyce Farmer chronicles the decline of her parents' health, their relationship with one another and their daughter, and how they cope with the day-to-day emotional fragility of the most taxing time of their lives in the powerful graphic novel ***Special Exits.*** (Aug)

Blake Bell presents more rarely-seen *Steve Ditko* gems from the Charlton days in ***Unexplored Worlds: The Steve Ditko Archives Volume 2 HC.*** (Aug)

IDW

The most popular RPG in gaming history is making another run at comic shops as IDW launches its D&D franchise with ***Dungeons and Dragons #0,*** a special issue that introduces upcoming D&D storylines in an affordable 99¢ book. (Aug)

Max Brooks, bestselling author of ***World War Z,*** makes his GI Joe debut with ***GI Joe: Hearts and Minds,*** joining artists *Howard Chaykin & Antonio Fuso* to present the next generation of GI Joe and COBRA. (Jun-Aug)

Harlan Ellison's Phoenix Without Ashes is a four-part adaptation of Ellison's classic story of one man's quest to save the world of 2785. (Aug)

Bob Schreck makes his writing debut with ***Jurassic Park: The Redemption,*** a new series inspired by the acclaimed *Michael Crichton* novel and subsequent film. (Jun-Aug)

MGM Drive-In Theater: It, The Terror From Beyond the Stars is a four-part retro-1950s sf adventure based on the cult favorite film. (Jul-Aug)

Darwyn Cooke returns to the dark world of *Richard Stark's* Parker with ***Richard Stark's Parker: The Man With the Getaway Face (Prelude),*** a bargain-priced story that offers readers a perfect introduction to Stark's crime novel anti-hero. (Jul)

Spike finds himself in the middle of a conspiracy that involves Hellmouths, blood factories, and demons in ***Spike: The Devil You Know.*** (Jun-Aug)

When a routine Federation diplomatic visit turns suddenly and unexpectedly violent, Captain Kirk, Mr. Spock and Dr. McCoy find themselves kidnapped and halfway across the galaxy in ***Star Trek: Burden of Knowledge.*** (Jun-Aug)

Scott Morse presents a collection of off-beat, over-the-top SF tales in ***Strange Science Fantasy.*** (Jul)

Charlaine Harris's vampire hit moves from novels and HBO to comics with the debut of the ***True Blood*** series, written in conjunction with *Alan Ball* and other HBO series creators. (Jul-Aug)

Joe R. Lansdale & John L. Lansdale join with artist *Kevin Colden* to bring *Robert Bloch's* legendary tale ***Yours Truly, Jack the Ripper*** to comics in a three-part adaptation. (Jun-Aug)

Image

Top Cow's metaphysical adventure saga moves into its next phase in ***Artifacts,*** a thirteen-part story by *Ron Marz & Michael Broussard* that involves the Darkness, Witchblade, Angelus, Tom Judge, Magdalena, and many others in a story that will reshape the Top Cow Universe. (Jul-Aug)

David Hine & Shaky Kane offer a revisionist version of the Golden and Silver Ages with ***The Bulletproof Coffin,*** a six-issue limited series. (Jul-Aug)

Paulo Parenti returns to his Dust universe with ***Dust Wars,*** a three-parter written by *Christopher Morrison* and co-illustrated by *Davide Fabbri.* (Jun-Aug)

Jay Faerber's Dynamo 5 returns in

Dynamo 5: Sins of the Father, a five-parter that pits them against an alien menace. (Jun-Aug)

An impressive array of indy talent offers their irreverent takes on beloved fairy tales in ***Fractured Fables.*** (Jul)

Dawn is back in an all-new full-length tale in *Joseph Michael Linsner's* ***Dawn: Not to Touch Earth.*** (Jul)

Robert Kirkman, Benito Cereno, & Ransom Getty bring together some of Image's more offbeat heroes in ***Guardians of the Globe.*** When the Viltrumite War leaves their ranks depleted, it's time for a membership drive! (Aug)

Tim Seeley brings ***Hack/Slash*** to Image with ***Hack/Slash: My First Maniac,*** a tale that spotlights Cassie's first case. (Jun-Aug)

An amnesiac astronaut is assisted in his quest for answers of self by Gasolina, a muscular woman who dresses up as Santa all year round, in the aptly named ***Meta 4*** by *Ted McKeever.* (Jun-Aug)

Nick Spencer & Joe Eisma present a suspenseful tale of sinister happenings at a prestigious prep school in ***Morning Glories.*** (Aug)

A reformed killer bent on bringing peace to his hometown is the focus of the first issue of ***Murderland*** by *Stephen Scott, David Hahn, & Guillem Mari.* (Aug)

After her death, Nancy awakens in a creepy landscape to find decomposing lost souls, demons lurking in the shadows, outcasts, chainsaws, booze, and certain doom. Are you ready to join ***Nancy in Hell?*** *El Torres, Juan Jose Ryp, & Fran Gamboa* are happy to act as your tour guides! (Aug)

Joe Casey & Chris Burnham present the sort of policeman that Jack Bauer would hope to be in ***Officer Downe.*** (Jul)

A minor league baseball team accepts an invitation to play what should be a routine game... but then flesh eating monsters complicate things in *Mark Andrew Smith & James Stokoe's* ***Sullivan's Sluggers.*** (Aug)

A spree killer terrorizes New Orleans days before Hurricane Katrina makes landfall in ***Sweets,*** a limited series by *Kody Chamberlain.* (Jul-Aug)

Tank Girl returns yet again in *Alan Martin & Rufus Daglo's* ***Tank Girl: Hairy Heroes,*** a

oneshot that features a pair of short tales. (Aug)

Sara Pezzini atones for a horrible mistake that she made early in her law enforcement career in ***Witchblade: Due Process,*** a oneshot by *Phil Smith & Alina Urusov. (Aug)*

Marvel

How did the world *really* forget Peter Parker was Spider-Man? And what does the future hold for Peter & Mary Jane? Every question is answered, the past laid to rest, and Spider-Man swings into a new direction for the future in "One Moment & Time," *Joe Quesada & Paolo Rivera's* four-parter in ***Amazing Spider-Man #s 638-641.*** (Jul-Aug)

The Cat is back in her own limited series, ***Amazing Spider-Man Presents the Black Cat,*** by *Jen Van Meter & Javier Pulido.* (Jun)

Founding Avenger Hank Pym leads a core team of veteran heroes in creating a place where the next generation of Earth's Mightiest can be trained by the greatest of those who preceded them. Welcome to ***Avengers Academy,*** a new ongoing series by *Christos Gage & Mike McKone.* (Jun)

Allan Heinberg & Jim Cheung follows Wiccan on his quest to find the missing Scarlet Witch in ***Avengers: The Children's Crusade,*** a nine-part bi-monthly limited series that will pit Wiccan against both the Avengers and the Young Avengers. (Jul-Aug) *Brian Bendis & Alan Davis* reveal what happens to Thor, Iron Man, and Steve Rogers between the end of ***Siege*** and the beginning of ***Avengers #1*** in the five-part bi-monthly ***Avengers Prime—Siege Aftermath.*** (Jun)

Thanos has acquired the Infinity Gems, granting him control over the entire universe. He's destroyed half the population of all worlds. The only force standing in his way? The Avengers! See how they stop him in ***Avengers and the Infinity Gauntlet,*** a four-parter by *Brian Clevinger & Brian Churilla. (Aug)*

When an old enemy suddenly reappears, Captain America must re-open the last, unsolved case of the Young Allies to stop a menace that threatens the world! And that's just what he does in *Roger Stern, Nick Dragotta, & Marco Santucci's* ***Captain America: Forever Allies,*** a four-part limited series. (Aug)

Karl Kesel writes and illustrates the Golden Age Captain America strip that never was in ***Captain America: The 1940s Newspaper Strip,*** a three-issue miniseries set smack-dab in the middle of WWII, complete with co-starring appearances by Bucky. (Jun-Aug)

Matt Fraction & Gabriel Ba's ***Casanova*** makes the jump from Image to Marvel—and picks up color in the process! The first issue will include an all-new bonus story by *Matt Fraction & Fabio Moon.* (Jul)

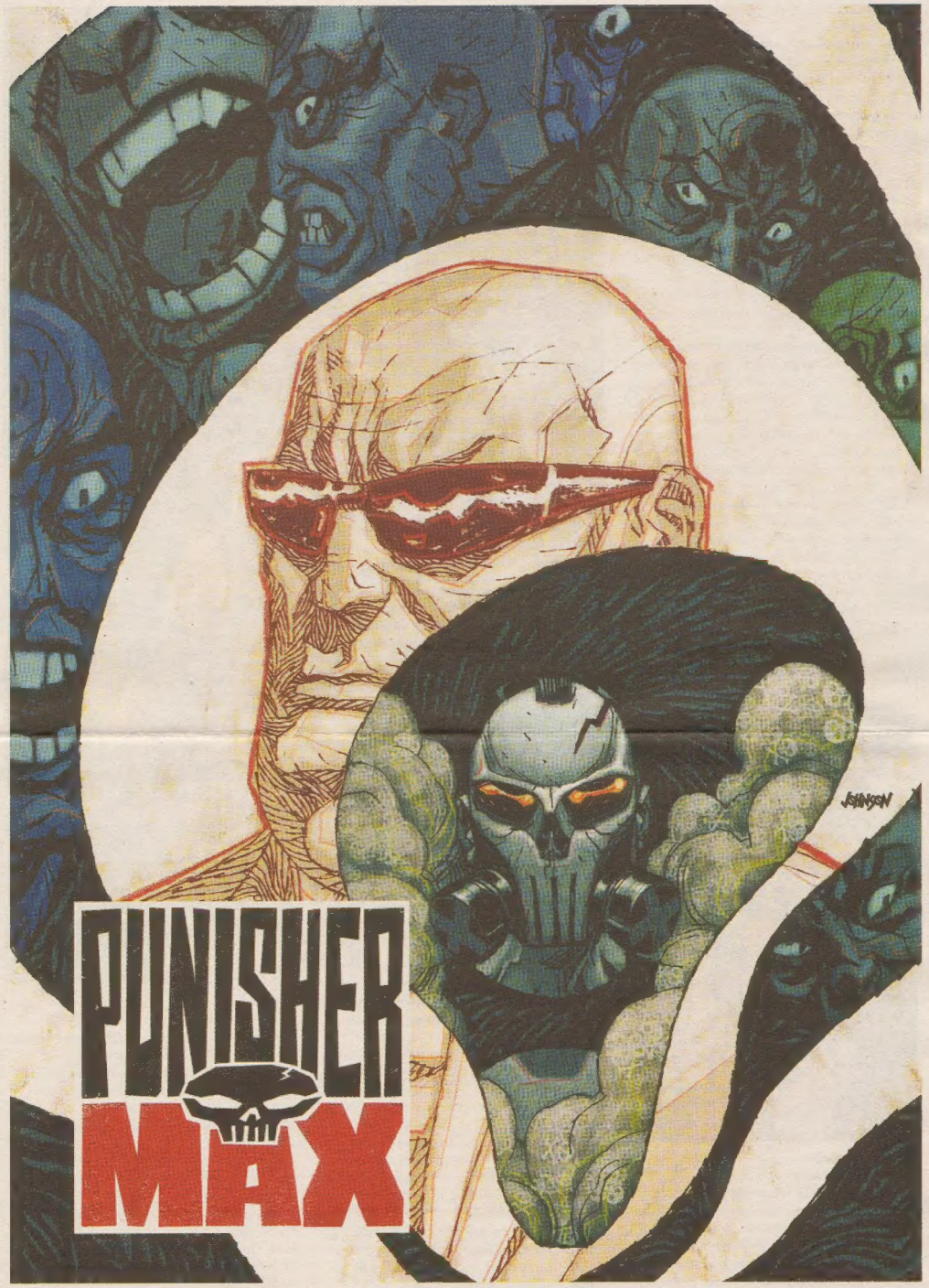
Peter Milligan, Rick Spears, and Ann Nocenti contribute short tales spotlighting the Man Without Fear in ***Daredevil Black & White,*** an original oneshot. (Aug)

David Gallaher & Steve Ellis reunite to present adventures of Russia's elite strike-force in ***Darkstar and the Winter Guard,*** a three-part miniseries that guest-stars the Agents of Atlas. (Jun-Aug)

Learn all about the background of Deadpool and why he acts the way he does in *Duane Swierczynski & Jason Pearson's* ***Deadpool: Wade Wilson's War.*** (Jun-Aug)

But isn't he already dead? Well, anyway—*Victor Gischler & Giuseppe Camuncoli* chronicle a struggle for power between Dracula and his ruthless son Xarus in the 48-page oneshot ***Death of Dracula. (Jul)***

Roy Thomas & Dick Giordano's adaptation of *Bram Stoker's* classic vampire novel is presented in color for the first time in the ***Dracula*** miniseries. (Jun-Aug)



Jeff Parker & Giancarlo Caracuzzo explore the storied past of Ken Hale in the ***Gorilla Man*** limited series. (Jul-Aug)

Hawkeye, the world's greatest marksman is reunited with the world's most dangerous super-spy, Mockingbird in the all-new ongoing series ***Hawkeye & Mockingbird.*** *Jim McCann & David Lopez's* first story arc pits them against the Phantom Rider. (Jun-Aug)

Kathryn Immonen & Tonci Zonjic spotlight Emma Frost, She-Hulk, Agent Abigail Brand, Hellcat, Valkyrie, Monica Rambeau, Sue Storm in the five-part weekly ***Heralds.*** (Jun)

Bob Layton returns to the Prince of Power with ***Hercules: Twilight of a God,*** a four-

parter illustrated by *Ron Lim & Bob Layton.* (Jun-Aug)

The monkey with a gun returns in ***Hit-Monkey,*** a three-parter by *Daniel Way & Dalibor Talijic.* Readers know what happened on that fateful day he first picked up a gun; now everyone will find out what happened next. (Jul-Aug)

Tony Stark ventures into the world of international espionage and intrigue in ***Iron Man: Kiss & Kill,*** a oneshot by *Joe Ahearne, Karl Kesel, Brian Ching, & Eric Nguyen.*(Jun)

Mary HK Choi & Ken Lashley do the honors on ***Lady Deadpool,*** a oneshot featuring the distaff version of the Merc with a Mouth. (Jul)

Not only is Marvel launching a series of hardcovers reprinting the original 1950s ***Marvelman*** tales by *Mick Anglo,* but they're also offering them in comics form in ***Marvelman Family's Finest,*** a six-part series. The first issue reprints Marvelman's first appearance from ***Marvelman #25.*** (Jul-Aug)

Five years after a terrible plague sweeps the Earth, turning everyone into sadistic cannibal predators, one man stands against the hordes of monsters who hunt the night. He is the Punisher, the Last Gun on Earth. Watch him go to work in ***Marvel Universe Vs. The Punisher,*** a four-part limited series by *Jonathan Maberry & Goran Parlov.* (Aug)

When the X-Men are confronted with a deadly vampire threat, Namor takes matters into his own hands on a mission that might bring down the entire might of the vampires on their heads… and in the process, destroy Atlantis! Witness the beginning of a new chapter in Namor's life in ***Namor: The First Mutant #1*** by *Stuart Moore & Ariel Olivetti.* (Aug)

In *Brian Bendis & Stuart Immonen's* ***New Avengers #1,*** readers will find out who the New Avengers are, where they call home, which Dark Avenger has joined their ranks, and just who the interdimensional demonic threat to our existence is! (Jun)

Chris Claremont returns to the young mutants he created in ***New Mutants Forever,*** a five-issue limited series. (Aug)

A mild-mannered accountant's trip to a massage parlor takes his life in a very unexpected direction in ***PunisherMax: Happy Ending,*** a oneshot by *Peter Milligan & Juan Jose Rhyp.(Aug)*

Ron Zimmerman & Howard Chaykin present another mature-readers look at the Western exploits of the best-dressed gunslinger in the Wild West in ***The Rawhide Kid,*** a four-part miniseries. (Jun-Aug)

Brian Bendis & Alex Maleev chronicle the saga of a woman who starts a modern American revolution in ***Scarlet,*** a new creator-owned series by the team responsible for some of the most memorable ***Daredevil, Halo,*** and ***Avengers*** tales in modern history. (Jul-Aug)

The battle for the soul of a hero begins in ***Shadowland #1*** by *Andy Diggle & Billy Tan.* Pushed beyond his limits, Daredevil faces off for a final time against his deadliest foe, Bullseye, in their most brutal battle ever with more than just Hell's Kitchen is at stake. Spider-Man, Luke Cage, Iron Fist, Punisher and more join forces to stop a war that is breaking out throughout New York, with Daredevil at the center of a war that will terrorize the streets of New York City. (Jul-Aug)

Bullseye's secrets are revealed in ***Shadowland: Bullseye,*** a oneshot by *John Layman & Sean Chen. (Aug)*

Daredevil has summoned the villainous Profile to take Moon Knight out of the picture for good. And to do it, the Profile enlists the aid of a mysterious figure, a second avatar of Khonshu, in ***Shadowland: Moon Knight,*** a three-part limited series by *Gregg Hurwitz & Bong Dazo.* (Aug)

Meet the all-new Power Man—and learn about his connections to Iron Fist and Luke Cage—in the four-part ***Shadowland: Power Man*** by *Fred Van Lente & Mahmud Asrar.* (Aug)

Silver Sable, Paladin, Misty Knight, and the Shroud share their time in the spotlight in the four-part ***Shadowland: Blood on the Streets*** by *Antony Johnston & Wellington Alves.* (Aug)

What is Colleen Wing's secret connection to the mysterious organization called the Hand? Find out in ***Shadowland: Daughters of the Shadow,*** a three-parter by *Jason Henderson & Ivan Rodriguez.* (Aug)

In a story spanning the history of the MC2 Universe, witness the battle you've been waiting for as Mayday Parker takes on her own clone, April, in ***Spider-Girl: The End #1*** by *Tom DeFalco & Ron Frenz.* (Aug)

Christos Gage & Mario Alberti's ***Spider-Man/Fantastic Four*** four-parter offers a look at four different team-up adventures from four different periods of Marvel history. (Jul-Aug)

While her MI13 compatriots make nice with the Yankee super sorts, Lady Jacqueline Falsworth is on the hunt for an old acquaintance in *Paul Cornell & Elena Casagrande's* ***Spitfire #1.*** (Aug)

Steve Rogers was America's first Super-Soldier, and he's fought for his country since World War II. Now a face from the past reappears—a woman who cannot be alive because Steve watched her die! Who is she, and how is this possible? Find out in ***Steve Rogers: Super Soldier,*** a miniseries by *Ed Brubaker & Dale Eaglesham.* (Jul-Aug)

Franklin Richards and his time-traveling puppy (named Puppy) meet the Pet Avengers for the first time in ***Tails of the Pet Avengers: The Dogs of Summer*** by *Chris Eliopoulos & Gurihiru.* (Jul-Aug)

Resentful and bitter after his trial and fed up with Asgard, Thor has quit the gods and taken up with the world of men. But when the bloody tides of Asgard's battles lap even at the shores of Earth, Thor must take up arms once more in ***Thor: The Rage of Thor*** by *Peter Milligan & Mico Suayan. (Aug)*

Ultimate Comics Avengers 3 #1 by *Mark Millar & Steve Dillon* brings Blade back—and that means that vampires are back, too! (Aug)

Now that the Ultimate Enemy has revealed his plan, the heroes of the Ultimate Universe search to discover their enemy's true identity before any more damage can be done. Witness their quest in ***Ultimate Comics Mystery #1*** by *Brian Bendis & Rafa Sandoval.* (Jul-Aug)

Hot on the heels of "Second Coming," *Matt Fraction, Whilce Portacio, Jamie McKelvie, & Steven Sanders* reveal how the X-Men fit into the Marvel Universe as a whole in ***Uncanny X-Men: The Heroic Age #1.*** (Jul)

Why have assassins put out a contract on Domino? Find out in ***X-Force: Sex & Violence,*** a three-parter by *Craig Kyle, Christopher Yost, & Gabriele Del'Otto.* (Jul-Aug)

Marvel invites European creators to play

in the X-Universe, beginning with *Francesco Artibani, Denis Medri, & Roberto Di Salvo's* ***X-Campus #1.*** (Jun)

X-Men relaunches with a new first issue courtesy of *Victor Gischler & Paco Medina*—and the relaunch begins with a war between the mutants and an army of vampires. (Jul-Aug)

A new dawn is rising for the vampire nation. The rules are about to be rewritten, and Blade's about to go to fang-to-fang with a new threat he knows he can't fight alone. in ***X-Men: Curse of the Mutants—Blade #1*** by *Duane Swierczynski & Tim Green.* (Aug)

As an army of vampires descends on San Francisco, the X-Men may have just discovered a means for stemming the invasion... but what they need is in the clutches of the vampires themselves. Luckily, the X-Men have two thieves in their employ with some skill as thieves... and they're about to go into action in ***X-Men: Curse of the Mutants—Storm & Gambit.*** (Aug)

Chris Claremont & Tom Grummett continue Claremont's unfinished X-Men saga in ***X-Men Forever v2 #1*** as the X-Men are confronted by a new enemy, more powerful than any they've ever faced. (Jun)

As if there aren't enough Deadpool books on the schedule already, *Duane Swierczynski & Leandro Fernandez* look at Wade Wilson's beginnings in ***X-Men Origins: Deadpool #1.*** (Jul)

Chris Claremont joins with international superstar artist *Milo Manara* for the 64-page ***X-Women*** oneshot, which follows Storm, Psylocke, Shadowcat, Marvel Girl and Rogue as they set out to save the world. (Jul) Nomad, Arana, Toro, Gravity, and Firestar give up the solo lifestyle to become a super-team in ***Young Allies #1*** by *Sean McKeever & David Baldeon.* Their first adversaries? The illegitimate offspring of super-villains known as the Bastards of Evil. (Jun)

Moonstone

The original action figure is back for more thrills and more intrigue in ***Captain Action Season Two*** by *Steven Grant, Rafael Nieves, & Manuel Martin.* (Jul-Aug)

GG Fickling's sexy private eye comes to comics in ***Honey West,*** a series that captures the edginess of Fickling's novels and the sexiness of the classic *Anne Francis* television series. (Jul-Aug)

Acclaimed author *Richard Matheson's* script for the second Kolchak movie comes to comics in ***Richard Matheson's Kolchak the Night Strangler.*** (Aug)

Suburbia is about to turn a lot less tranquil when vampires drop in for a visit in *JC Vaughn, Brendon Fraim, & Brian Fraim's* ***Vampire, PA.*** (Jul-Aug)

Five incredible robots return to Earth to save humanity from a race of alien energy vampires in ***Zeroics,*** an irreverent SF tale by *Aaron Shaps & Robert Castro.* (Aug)

The trading card series comes to comics in ***Zombies Vs. Cheerleaders,*** featuring stories of two things that everyone loves... (Jun-Jul)

The 3 Geeks find themselves at a cheerleader camp infested with zombies in ***Zombies Vs. Cheerleaders: Geektacular.*** (Aug)

NBM

A family in the countryside finds their lives turned upside down when they believe Orson Welles' ***War of the Worlds*** broadcast is the real thing. How they deal with this terrifying night is the focus of *Eric Hobbs & Noel Tuazon's* ***The Broadcast.*** (Aug)

Oni

A wrestler finds himself facing off against a sumo wrestler, a luchador, a flamboyant tag team, a drunken heavyweight champion, and more in ***Super Pro KO Volume 1,*** an original graphic novel by *Jarrett Williams.* (Jun)

Radical

A crew of jaded mercenaries must travel into the dark places of the ruined planet to find a woman who might just save the world in ***After Dark*** by *Antoine Fuqua, Wesley Snipes, Peter Milligan, & Jeff Nentrup.* (Aug)

In ***Driver for the Dead*** by *John Heffernan & Leonardo Manco,* veteran funeral home driver is sent to retrieve the remains of a renowned voodoo priest, only to discover that he's not the only one who wants the corpse. (Jul-Aug)

E. Max Frye & JP Targete present a Spartacus for a future world in ***The Rising #0,*** a special $1 issue that launches an upcoming miniseries. (Jun)

The world's most famous femme fatale and spy is the subject of ***Radical Premiere: Mata Hari,*** a bargain-priced preview of the upcoming graphic novel. (Aug)

After the Omega Bomb of Nazi Germany is accidentally launched, giving the human race 72 hours to live, four soldiers are sent back in time to prevent the disaster in *Jimmy Palmiotti, Justin Gray, & Paul Gulacy's* ***Time Bomb.*** (Jun-Aug)

Sterling

Ian Edginton & INJ Culbard reunite to adapt *Arthur Conan Doyle's* ***A Study in Scarlet*** in graphic novel form. (Aug)

Titan

Captain Jack's heading into comic shops in ***Torchwood,*** which kicks off with a story written by *John Barrowman* and his sister Carole, with art by *Tommy Lee Edwards.* (Aug)

Top Shelf

James Kochalka presents a new all-ages tale of a cute but ruthless kitty in an armored battle suit in ***Dragon Puncher Book 1.*** (Jul)

Will Dinski presents a story of beauty and decay in ***Fingerprints,*** a graphic novel that follows a cosmetic surgeon as he struggles to convince an ingenue that one more surgery will perfect her looks while his wife struggles to keep his interest and his assistant schemes to usurp his practice. (Aug)

Zenescope

The Charmed ones return in ***Charmed,*** brand new fantasy saga from Zenescope that picks up where the TV series left off. (Jun-Aug)

Grimm Fairy Tales celebrates the big 5-0 with an extra-length 56-page extravaganza that follows Sela and the forces of good as they prepare for battle with the Darkhorde, while Belinda and Baba Yaga carry out their own sinister plans. (Jun)